



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2011 Biennium

Bill #	HB0140	Title:	Increase excess sustained yield authority for forest health
Primary Sponsor:	Vincent, Chas	Status:	As Amended

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2012 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2013 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact: This bill has no fiscal impact to the state.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

1. New Section, Section 2 establishes an account for federal special revenue and authorizes the use of federal funds for purposes of 77-5-216, MCA. The department is unaware of any specific federal grants or appropriations that would be applicable for this use at this time, but will continue to review and evaluate opportunities for federal funds for forest health issues.

Technical Notes:

1. It is assumed that the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's (DNRC) annual sustained yield of 53,200,000 board feet is equivalent to 345,800 tons of harvested material. Under the proposed bill, DNRC may exceed the annual sustained yield by up to 10%, which is 34,580 tons per year, when addressing forest health concerns through contract harvesting. This harvested material may contain no more than 25% merchantable sawlog volume, or 8,645 tons of merchantable sawlog volume. This excess volume is twice the excess volume allowed under current statute.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

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